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Jeanne B. Foster.

Second Group Meeting, Wednesday afternoon, June 22

Subject: Organizing Special Library Data.

General chairman: George Winthrop Lee.

Discussion leaders: H. M. Rankin, M. Burnett, Louise Keller, M. C. Wells, E. L. Liebmann, W. D. Heydecker, Guy Marion.

Friday morning, June 24

Joint session with A. L. A.

Third Session, Friday afternoon, June 24

Subject: Business and Technical Information via the Special Library.

Francis H. Sisson, vice-president, Guaranty Trust Co., New York, N. Y.

H. V. Coes, engineering staff of Ford, Bacon and Davis, New York, N. Y.

One speaker to be announced.

Third Group Meeting, Friday evening, June 24

Subject: Organizing the Community's Special Library Service.

Rebecca B. Rankin.

Bertha V. Hartzell.

H. M. Rankin.

Alta B. Claflin.

W. G. Barnstead, first vice-president, Canadian Association of Record Officers, Toronto, Can.

Subject: Selling Special Library Service.

General chairman: Mary B. Day.

Discussion leaders: E. M. Taylor, M. Reynolds, M. L. Alexander, Ethel Clelland, E. R. Oberly, L. R. Gibbs, Alice Rose, J. H. Friedel, R. B. Power.

TRAINING CLASS INSTRUCTORS ROUND TABLE

Wednesday afternoon, June 22

Discussion of plans for definite organization.

Question Box.

TRUSTEES SECTION

Friday evening, June 24

They also serve—George Tripp, librarian, Free Public Library, New Bedford, Mass.

What proportion of total public expenditures should public library trustees claim for their libraries?—J. Randolph Coolidge, Jr., trustee of Boston Athenaeum.

Other prominent persons are being asked to make short talks and there will be ample opportunity for informal discussion.

The Committee on pensions and benefits will make its report. It is composed of Mrs. Ora Thompson of Rensselaer, Ind., Mrs. C. Henry Smith of Boulder, Colo., and Mr. S. J. Carter of Milwaukee, Wis.

Every library trustee who expects to attend the Conference is earnestly requested to communicate with the chairman of the section, Frank Hervey Pettingell, Los Angeles Stock Exchange, Los Angeles, Calif.

TRAVEL AND HOTEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special Rates

A special A. L. A. round trip ticket will be on sale to Swampscott, Massachusetts, from points (except New England) east of and including Chicago, Peoria, Burlington, Iowa, and St. Louis, and north of the Ohio and Potomac Rivers, including Wheeling and Louisville. These are on sale June 18th to 20th. They are available only to members and their families. The price of these tickets is one and one-half fares from starting point to gateways of New England, plus twice the one way fare in New England. This will be equal to a saving over double the one-way fare of from fifteen to twenty dollars from Chi-

cago and St. Louis, and a less saving from points east of those cities.

These tickets require return by the same route used going, and return must start not later than June 28th, reaching destination before midnight of June 30th.

SPECIAL NOTE: *To obtain this A. L. A. round trip ticket, members must send 25c (stamps acceptable) to the A. L. A. Headquarters, 78 East Washington St., Chicago, and obtain* IDENTIFICATION CERTIFICATE *(one certificate is sufficient for delegate and dependent members of his family). This certificate must be presented to Ticket Agent at station of departure, and he will then issue a round trip ticket to Swampscott. The return portion of this ticket is to be validated at Swampscott depot on date of return, between June 20th and 28th inclusive.*

No A. L. A. reduced rates are granted in New England, or from Canada, Southern United States, or points west of Chicago, and St. Louis. Delegates from South and West should purchase tickets to nearest city from which reduction is made and then obtain, by presenting their *Identification Certificate*, the round trip reduced fare ticket.

Please note carefully that those desiring to stay in New England longer than June 28th, or wishing to return by different routes or stop over on way home, cannot use the special A. L. A. ticket.

Railroad fares and prices of Pullman berths are given below.

Local Travel Information

Swampscott is about thirty minutes' ride from Boston, on Boston and Maine railroad from North Station, Boston. All Swampscott trains also stop at Lynn, which is about a mile and one-half before reaching Swampscott. Trolleys marked either Swampscott, Beach Bluff or Marblehead run direct from Lynn depot to the New Ocean House Assembly Hall, at back of Hotel grounds, passing the Willey House, and those marked Beach Bluff or Marblehead go on past Bellevue Hotel. Cars run every seven minutes, and fare is about seven cents if tickets (fifteen for $1) are purchased. Persons coming for day meetings will find the use of trolley from Lynn the easy way, as Swampscott depot is a mile from the hotel, and bus fare one way is 50 cents.

For Hotel Preston, which is not on the trolley line, delegates will go to Swampscott depot and there take bus, and all those booked at the New Ocean House who have heavy suit cases are advised also to go to Swampscott depot and take the bus, as the trolley from Lynn passing the back of the New Ocean House grounds, would leave a distance equal to about three city blocks from trolley to New Ocean House office.

Delegates arriving at South Station, Boston (Boston and Albany, or New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroads) will find an elevated train service between South and North Stations, fare (as on all Boston trolleys) 10 cents. Allow about twenty minutes for connection from South Station to North Station trains.

The Local A. L. A. Committee will have guides both at Swampscott depot and at New Ocean House to direct delegates to their destinations, and all who register will be notified in advance of hotel or house address to which they are assigned.

Chicago Special Party—Chicago and the West

Arrangements have been completed with the New York Central Railroad for special party service out of Chicago, leaving the LaSalle Station, LaSalle and Van Buren Streets, on Sunday morning, June 19th at 10:25 o'clock (Standard time, one hour later than Chicago daylight saving time), arriving in Toledo at 3:35 p. m., Cleveland at 7:00 p. m. Monday morning at 5:57, Albany is reached, and arriving in Troy at 7:00 a. m., where connections will be made with the Boston and Maine railroad for the journey across country to Boston, arriving there at 3:10 p. m., where transfer will be made to local service to Swampscott, arriving at 4:28 p. m.

Upon arrival in Swampscott, busses and automobiles will be on hand to effect an immediate transfer of all members of the party, and their baggage, to the various hotels, allowing ample time to prepare for the opening session of the Conference, which is scheduled for 8 o'clock Monday evening.

Shortly after leaving Troy, the train enters the famous Hoosac Tunnel, through which all trains are now electrically operated. This is the longest tunnel on the American continent. From portal to portal the distance is four and three quarter miles. Leaving the tunnel, the Deerfield Valley stretches out before you, which teems with fascinating points of interest and beauty; its hills and mountains rise to varying heights from 1,200 to 2,000 feet, and each elevation offers an ever-enchanting, ever-changing panoramic surprise of scenery.

Railroad Rates and Pullman Fares

See the paragraph under "Special Rates" above, and the table of rates given below.

Round trip tickets and regular one-way tickets for those members intending to join the special party, must be routed via the New York Central and Boston and Maine railroads.

There is still a possibility that summer tourist rates may be available to Swampscott or Boston. If such rates are offered, due announcement will be made in the library periodicals.

Members traveling at the expense of city, state or federal government, who are entitled to tax exemption, are requested to file claim slips when sending Pullman deposit, and present slips when purchasing railroad tickets.

Information regarding other routes and rates will be furnished upon application to John F. Phelan, Chicago Public Library, Chicago.

Dining Car Service:

Dining car service will be regulated so as to avoid confusion and unnecessary waiting. Meals will be served a-la-carte. Members are expected to co-operate by promptly leaving the dining car, upon completion of their meals.

Baggage:

Identification tags will be furnished to all those who register for the special party, on which please write your name, and name of the hotel at which you are registered, and attach one to each piece of baggage, including hand luggage required en route. This will facilitate handling and transfer upon arrival.

Finally

The committee urges an early registration. We trust that members from Chicago, the Middle West and the far West and North, who plan to attend the convention, will arrange their affairs and time to join the special party from Chicago.

The younger librarians, those who are looking forward to the thrill of their first conference, are especially urged to join our party, for they will not be strangers ere they reach Swampscott. Aside from the experience and the inspiration that awaits them at the Conference, an unusual opportunity will be afforded to visit the many places of historic interest in and about Boston, and to visit and study the work of the great libraries in the East.

Please register your name with, and address all correspondence relative to the Chicago party, to John F. Phelan, Chicago Public Library, Chicago.

Eastern and Southern Travel Arrangements

From New York to Boston many different routes are possible. The shortest and quickest is by rail via New Haven, New London and Providence. A second rail-route reaches Boston over the Boston & Albany, running via New Haven, Hartford and Springfield. The one-way fare from New York to Boston over each of these routes is $8.92, including war tax. (To Swampscott, $9.43). There are also several routes available from New York to Boston by boat—one by the Cape Cod

route and a second by the Fall River line. The Cape Cod boats leave New York at 5:00 p. m. and reach Boston about 8:00 a. m. State rooms run from $2.70 to $8.64, including war tax. The Fall River line leaves New York at 4:50 p. m. Change is made at Fall River in the morning for the train for Boston. The fare over either boat route is $6.78.

On account of the short trip and the many different routes, no party arrangements will be made from New York to Boston.

From Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington and points south, the most convenient arrangement is to take the Pennsylvania through trains direct from Washington to Boston. These trains run with through Pullmans and do not require change in New York City. The morning train leaves Washington at 8:15 a. m., and is due in Boston at 7:58 p. m. The night train leaves at 7:30 p. m., due in Boston 7:58 a. m.

Special Pullmans will be reserved for A. L. A. members, on the train leaving Washington at 7:30 p. m., Baltimore 8:35, Wilmington at 10:08 and West Philadelphia at 10:45, Sunday evening, June 19th. The amount of Pullman fare, as given in the table below, should be forwared to C. H. Brown, Bureau of Navigation, Sixth Division, Navy Department, Washington, D. C., by June 15th. The Pullman ticket will be forwarded by return mail. Arrangements will be made for a special coach on the Boston & Maine, leaving Boston for Swampscott. The party will be personally conducted by Mr. Brown. Mr. Brown will be glad to furnish any information desired as to time tables, rates, etc., whether individuals wish to join the A. L. A. party or travel individually.

It is recommended that members travelling individually from New York and points south to Boston make their reservations early. The trains are crowded during the last two weeks of June, on account of the closing of the universities and the opening of the summer resorts. It is recommended especially that those who desire to go by boat from New York to Boston, make their reservations before June 5th. The boats are usually sold out weeks in advance.

The following table gives the approximate one way fare; also the Pullman lower berth rate and the round trip railroad rate based on A. L. A. identification card. Unfortunately the special rates granted by the railroads do not effect any saving between New York and Boston. The saving from Washington and points South on A. L. A. rates is approximately $4, with a somewhat less saving from Philadelphia and Baltimore.

For railroad tickets on through Pullman, Philadelphia and points South to Boston, approximately $1.00 should be added to above fares and tickets should read: "via Hellgate route." As these tickets will avoid necessity of change in New York, it is believed that the comfort of through Pullmans is worth the additional charge.

Table of Railroad Rates and Pullman Fares

	Regular rate one way	A. L. A. Identification Roundtrip fare	Pullman lower berth
Atlanta	$ 43.44	$ 82.80	$14.58
Richmond	22.76	41.52	6.89
Dallas	73.35	98.80	21.87
Birmingham	46.77	60.73	15.80
New Orleans	61.67	88.65	19.44
Washington	18.22	32.44	6.08
Baltimore	16.67	29.72	5.67
Philadelphia	12.93	24.11	4.05
New York	9.43	18.86	4.05
Pittsburgh	26.48	.....	6.89
Buffalo	19.84	33.19	4.86
Cleveland	26.92	43.82	6.89
Detroit	30.40	49.03	8.10
Cincinnati	36.79	58.62	9.72
Indianapolis	37.36	60.37	10.94
Chicago	40.15	63.67	10.94
Louisville	40.85	66.57	10.94
St. Louis	47.53	74.75	12.96
Kansas City	57.40	99.39	15.80
Omaha	58.91	102.39	15.80
Des Moines	53.47	91.05	14.99
Grand Rapids	35.13	56.65	9.72
Denver	80.40	144.19	22.68
Salt Lake	99.01	182.63	27.54
Los Angeles	126.44	193.43	36.45
San Francisco	126.44	193.43	36.45
Seattle	124.44	193.43	35.64
St. Paul	54.96	94.49	15.80
Minneapolis	55.37	95.33	13.77
Duluth	57.79	100.17	13.77
Memphis	53.40	.....	.....
Milwaukee	42.85	70.27	11.75

Upper berths are approximately 20 per cent less than the prices quoted.

Hotels, Outside Rooms and Meals

The schedule of rates at the various hotels was printed in full in the March A. L. A. Bulletin. They are all American plan, including meals.

For rooms in hotels and cottages apply to A. L. A., care New Ocean House, Swampscott, Mass. For rooms in private houses, write Mr. C. E. Sherman, Public Library, Lynn, Mass. Make application at once if you have not already done so.

Although it is the desire of the local committee, thinking only of the greatest good to the greatest number, to have three persons in as many as possible of the rooms at the New Ocean House, there will be no overcrowding. The rooms are large, the dining room is ample, the piazza is wide and the lobby of most generous proportions. The Hotel is accustomed to conventions and the standing of this Hotel insures adequate service. Therefore, the words "herding of delegates" and "dormitory conditions" are absolutely non-applicable to this Conference.

Meals for those at private houses will be provided in the New Ocean House Cafeteria; breakfast 50 cents; lunch 75 cents; dinner $1 and these meals will also be available for those coming down for the day only. A few persons beyond those roomed in the New Ocean House and its five cottages can be accommodated in the main dining room, lunch $1.50, dinner $2.50.

A special rate for their annual dinner will be granted to those not registered at the New Ocean House who are members of any state or library school organization. Advance arrangements must be made for such groups and tickets distributed by the committees in charge.

A coupon ticket system for all taking meals in the main dining room will be maintained, and no admission to the room without proper ticket will be granted either to those guests of the Hotel or from outside.

It should be stated that the Bellevue Hotel is inland and the ocean cannot be seen. Hotel Preston is on a bluff directly overlooking the water. The Willey House and cottages, near Swampscott Village, are just across the state boulevard from the shore.

Up to May 1st applications received numbered about 375 and the rooming committee urges all others who have not yet written to do so at once. The best chance at headquarters' hotel is now the room for three persons either with or without bath; or two rooms, bath between, for six. Although it has been announced that preference will be given to those from outside New England, the Committee wants all applicants listed at the earliest possible moment, and those from Massachusetts and other New England points will now please write at once for hotel rooms.

Rooms in private houses are about all spoken for, and any available from now on will be beyond walking distance from headquarters.

Post Conference Trip to White Mountains

(Register with Mr. Faxon before June 10th)

The "White Hills" of New Hampshire, long famous for their beauty, and the source of many an interesting legend, offer a charming and restful Post-Conference vacation. The eight-day trip outlined below, planned and conducted by Mr. F. W. Faxon, for many years familiar with this district, will give to strangers a good general idea of the whole region, and to former visitors a chance to renew old acquaintances under the exceptionally delightful auspices of an A. L. A. journey. While the Rocky Mountains are inspiring and grand in their ruggedness, the charm of New Hampshire's mountains is in the beauty of their gently rolling wooded slopes and grassy valleys.

Itinerary

June 28th

The party will leave Swampscott (or Boston) early Tuesday morning, June 28th, by train. Lunch will be provided and in the middle of the afternoon autos will convey the members from Glen and Jack-

son Station, four miles, to The Eagle Mountain House, Jackson, N. H. (Telegraphic and mail address), where our first three days will be spent.

June 28th to July 1st

Jackson is one of the noted resorts, on the south side of this mountain region, and the hotel chosen, three quarters of a mile above the village, commands a wonderful view of Carter Notch and a circle of mountain peaks. It is but a few moments walk from Jackson Falls. Jackson offers many walks and drives and easy climbs. Included in the party ticket, is an all-day excursion from Jackson, through Upper Bartlett, and the winding valley of the Saco River to its source, a little lake in Crawford Notch. The road crosses and recrosses the river many times and passes the site of the Willey Farm where a hundred years ago the tragedy occurred. The "Notch" becomes more and more narrow until there is but space for road and river between the towering mountains. Here we are ready for a campers' lunch at the base of Mt. Willard. Opportunity to climb this mountain over a good carriage road will be given, and the view is a wonderful one down the Saco Valley.

July 1st

On Friday morning, we leave the Jackson Valley, and motor about twenty miles through Pinkham Notch, where Mt. Washington in all its grandeur looms ahead of us. We stop to see the famous Glenellis Falls or Crystal Cascade—each a rather strenuous little climb from the main road—we then pass the site of the Glen House where the carriage road starts up Mt. Washington, and get a near and inspiring view of Washington, Jefferson, Adams and Madison—the "Presidential Range"—and thence around the eastern end of Mt. Madison and up to the summit of Randolph Hill.

July 1-5

Here at the Mt. Crescent House nearly 2,000 feet above sea-level, the party will spend four days. (Mail and telegrams, Mt. Crescent House, Randolph, N. H.) Mt. Adams and Mt. Madison tower before us to the south with their rocky summits and deep ravines. This is the wild north side of the White Mountain Region, the trampers' paradise, where style is left behind. Stretching north, from Randolph Mountain behind the hotel, is an unbroken wilderness to the Canadian border while from the piazza the view to the east shows mountain ranges in Maine. Pine groves in front of the house lure us, mountain climbs beckon the energetic upward. "Mossy Glen" for the strollers; "Ice Gulch" —our nearest approach to a glacier in New England—for the sturdy trampers.

An all-day auto trip will cover Jefferson, to the west of the big mountains; Bretton Woods where is the Mt. Washington Hotel, famous as an A. L. A. headquarters in 1909; Profile Lake and the "Old Man of the Mountains" that great stone face so wonderful; and The Flume of Franconia, our nearest approach to a canyon in this region. Here our camp lunch will be eaten.

July 5th

Early July 5th (Tuesday) the party will leave Randolph by train for Boston, by way of Crawford Notch, through which the railway is built well up on the mountain side—a famous piece of engineering, and offering splendid mountain views. The party will disband at Boston in the early afternoon.

Special Information

Party limited to 50 persons.

Register for this trip with Mr. F. W. Faxon, 83 Francis street, Boston 17, Mass., before June 10th, sending $10 advance payment. Balance to be paid at Swampscott. Checks received. Total cost for the 8 days—railroad, meals, hotels, and three auto trips $58 based on two in a room without bath.—Swampscott to Boston.

For room with running water at Jackson add—$1.50 each person.

For room with private bath at Jackson add—$3.00 each person.

For single room at Jackson and Randolph add—50c a night.

NOTE: There are no rooms at Randolph with bath or running water, and if party is large but few single rooms at Randolph will be available.

Trunks should not be taken, but if desired, add $3.00 for each trunk. Any who desire to go to New York from Randolph may leave the party there and have refund of $7.00.

Illustrated booklets giving full details of the two hotels and regions adjacent will be sent anyone on application to Mr. F. W. Faxon, 83 Francis street, Boston 17, Mass.

Weather in the mountains in early July is likely to be comfortably warm in the middle of the day with cool night. Wraps for rides and evenings will be needed. For tramping, even to the highest peaks, hobnail shoes are not necessary; any strong boots with fairly thick soles will be found satisfactory.

Late Chicago Note

Special cars and special service will be available to all who join the Chicago party. Good schedules have been arranged and the trip is sure to be a pleasant one.

Time will be saved and service improved if the number of persons who register for the trip from Chicago reaches 125 and so justifies the railroad in putting on not a few extra cars but a special train. All those who expect to attend from this part of the country are urged to join the Chicago party at Chicago. It will not only make the trip pleasanter this year but will make prospects for special service in the future more certain. It is to the advantage of the Association as a whole to have a greater encouragement given in the special parties. The more we travel together the more recognition we will get from the railroads.

A. L. A. Travel Committee,
F. W. FAXON, Chairman,
C. H. BROWN,
JOHN F. PHELAN.

LOCAL INFORMATION

Special Excursions

The Local committee have made arrangements for the following excursions during the course of the Conference; tickets and all information will be available at A. L. A. headquarters, New Ocean House lobby.

Tuesday afternoon, June 21, at the invitation of the Lynn Chamber of Commerce and the Lynn Rotary Club, an automobile trip along the beautiful North Shore Boulevard, visiting Lynn, Nahant, Marblehead, Salem, Beverly and other points on the North Shore.

Thursday, June 23, an all-day trip by automobile to Lexington, Concord and Cambridge, following the route of Paul Revere's famous ride. There will be visits to many points of historical and literary interest; the automobile will pass the homes of Hawthorne, Alcott, Emerson, Lowell and Longfellow. The party will be conducted through the Widener Library of Harvard and supper will be served in the Harvard Yard. The cost of the trip will be announced later. In the evening there will be an informal reception at the Boston Public Library, with readings and brief addresses by New England authors of distinction.

Sunday morning, June 26, at eleven, a special service will be held for members of the A. L. A. at Trinity Church, Copley Square, Boston. Dr. Alexander Mann, president of the Boston Public Library Board of Trustees and Rector of Trinity Church, will preach a special sermon. Seats will be reserved for librarians, trustees and their friends.

Sunday afternoon, June 26, from four to six o'clock, a reception to A. L. A. members and their friends, at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

Monday, June 27, a round trip to Plymouth by steam-boat and automobile. The route will include the harbors of Boston